

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2008
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor Lisa Whitney called meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Robert Carmichael, Joel Wardwell, Lisa Whitney, Dave Keene, Jeff Robinson, Paul McCann.
3. Consider minutes of the previous meeting

No minutes to be considered.
4. Receive and review documents and correspondence
 - a. Letter from Marrazzo & Platt regarding the Vaughn Thibodeau and Sons quarry application
-Town Manager reported the above letter was addressed to the Planning Board but the writer requested a copy be issued to the Mayor and Town Council members.
5. Hold public hearing on the proposed ordinance entitled "Amendment to the General Assistance Ordinance, Appendices A, B, C and D"

Town Manager indicated the purpose of amending the General Assistance Ordinance is to reflect the state requirements.

No public comments.
6. Close hearing and act on ordinance

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Paul McCann and unanimously voted to approve ordinance entitled "Amendment to the General Assistance Ordinance, Appendixes A, B, C and D."
7. Consider Resolve #R-2009-53 approving contract with Millett Associates for design plans for a section of Franklin Street from McDonald Street to Sconce Street

It was motioned by Joel Wardwell, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-53.
8. Consider Resolve #R-2009-54 approving contract with Eastern Skies Environmental Services for an asbestos study at the property located off Central Street

It was motioned by Robert Carmichael, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-54.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2009-55 authorizing expenditure from Police Equipment Reserve for a new cruiser and setup cost

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby and seconded by Robert Carmichael and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-55.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2009-56 authorizing write-off for uncollectible ambulance receivables including third party allowances for the period 7-1-2007 to 9-30-2007

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Paul McCann and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-56.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2009-57 authorizing a Senior Citizen Service and Program Study Committee

It was motioned by Dave Keene, seconded by Joel Wardwell and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-57.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2009-58 authorizing a Police and Dispatch Study Committee

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Joel Wardwell and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-58 with amendment to include an additional member to represent the fire department and ambulance service.

13. Consider issuing quitclaim deed to Donna R. Rollerson for the purpose of discharging paid tax liens

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Robert Carmichael and unanimously voted to authorize issuing quitclaim deed to Donna R. Rollerson for paid tax liens.

14. Consider issuing licenses or permits, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

15. Discussion items:

Town Manager reported that a letter was being sent out to property owners within the compact area to determine the level of interest in the use of natural

gas. It was agreed by the town council that a pre-stamped envelope should be included for the convenience of those responding to the survey and to improve the response rate.

Town Manager indicated with the passing of Sharyn Betts, and because of Sharyn's dedication to the waterfront and community in her role as member of the town council, it would seem reasonable for the town to place a bench along the waterfront in her recognition and to dedicate the 2007-2008 Town Report in her honor. Town Councilors had no objections.

Fire Chief, Craig Bowden requested permission to control burn a house located on Route One, besides Curves and the Family Dollar Store (formerly owned by Al Gray), and to use it for training purposes inviting Orland and Orrington Fire Department on Sunday, November 9th.

Dave Keene expressed his concern regarding the request. He believes the property is located too close to Route 1 and traffic control would be difficult during the burn.

Craig Bowden said they always put up signage indicating fire training.

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson seconded by Paul McCann and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Paul McCann and voted to approve control burn on Route 1 for Bucksport Fire Department training on Sunday, November 9th.

Voted in Favor: Robert Carmichael, Jeff Robinson, Paul McCann

Opposed: Michael Ormsby, Joel Wardwell, Lisa Whitney, Dave Keene

Vote: 3 - 4 (Vote Failed)

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Robert Carmichael and unanimously voted to adjourn to executive session at 7:55 P.M. to review CEO litigation.

It was motioned by Robert Carmichael, seconded by Joel Wardwell and unanimously voted to come out of executive session and return to town council meeting at 8:25 P.M.

16. Adjournment

It was motioned by Paul McCann, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes
Council Secretary